



Forecasting CMEs using Image Processing & Neural Networks



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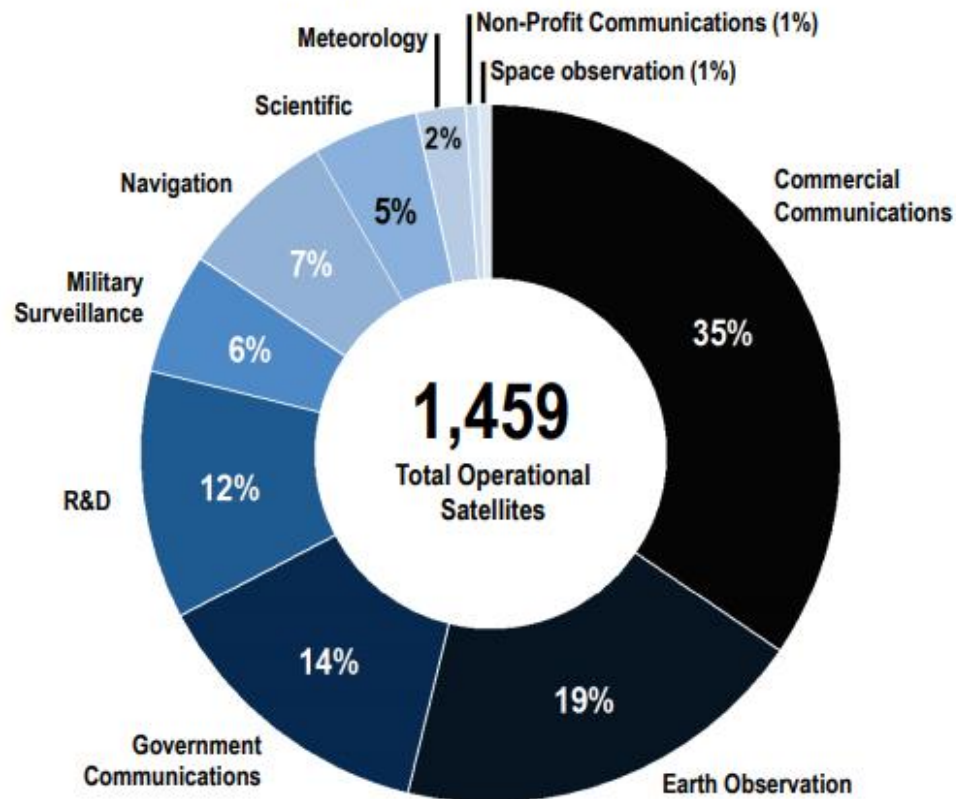
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Preventing a disaster

Operational Satellites by Function
(as of December 31, 2016)



If Satellites Stop:

- No Telecommunications
- No Military surveillance
- No Weather forecast
- No GPS

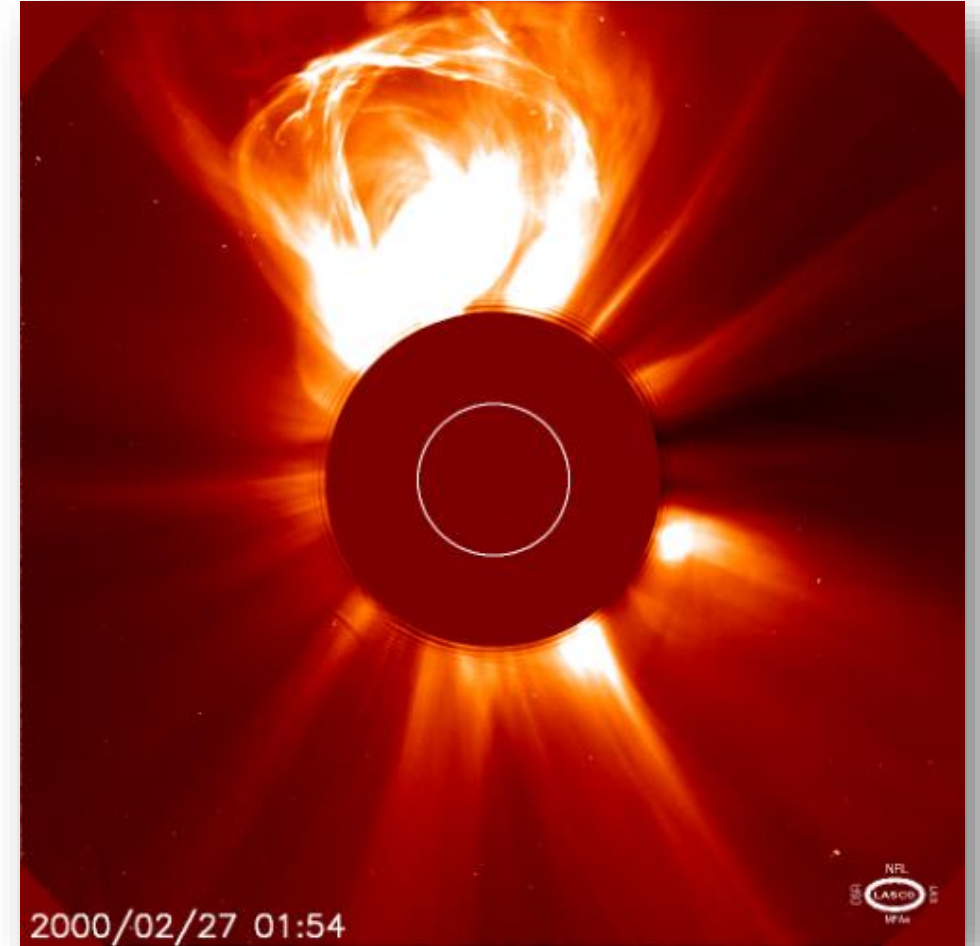
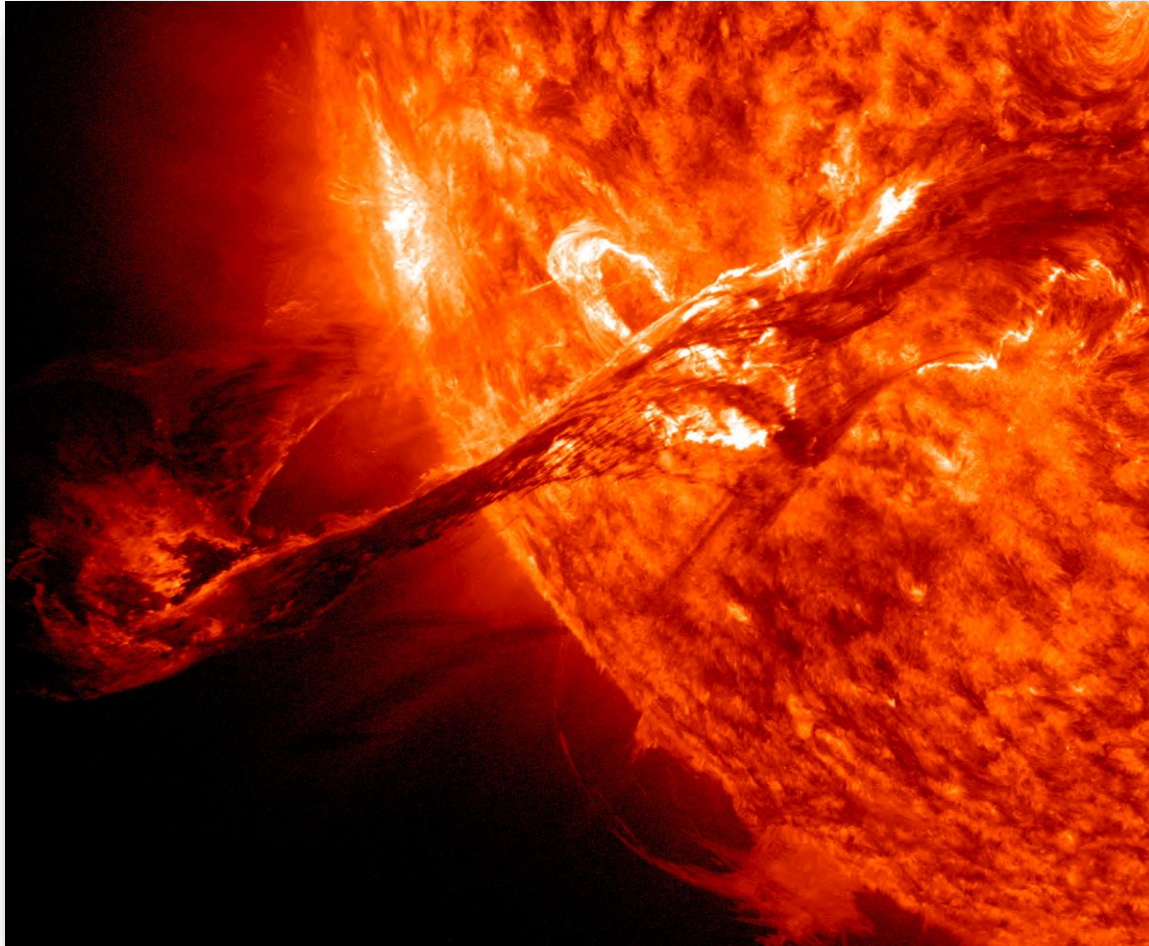
✉ DEPARTURES				
TIME	DESTINATION	FLIGHT	GATE	REMARKS
12:39	LONDON	BA 903	31	CANCELLED
12:57	SYDNEY	QF5723	27	CANCELLED
13:08	TORONTO	AC5984	22	CANCELLED
13:21	TOKYO	JL 608	41	DELAYED
13:37	HONG KONG	CX5471	29	CANCELLED
13:48	MADRID	IB3941	30	DELAYED
14:19	BERLIN	LH5021	28	CANCELLED
14:35	NEW YORK	AA 997	11	CANCELLED
14:54	PARIS	AF5870	23	DELAYED
15:10	ROME	AZ5324	43	CANCELLED



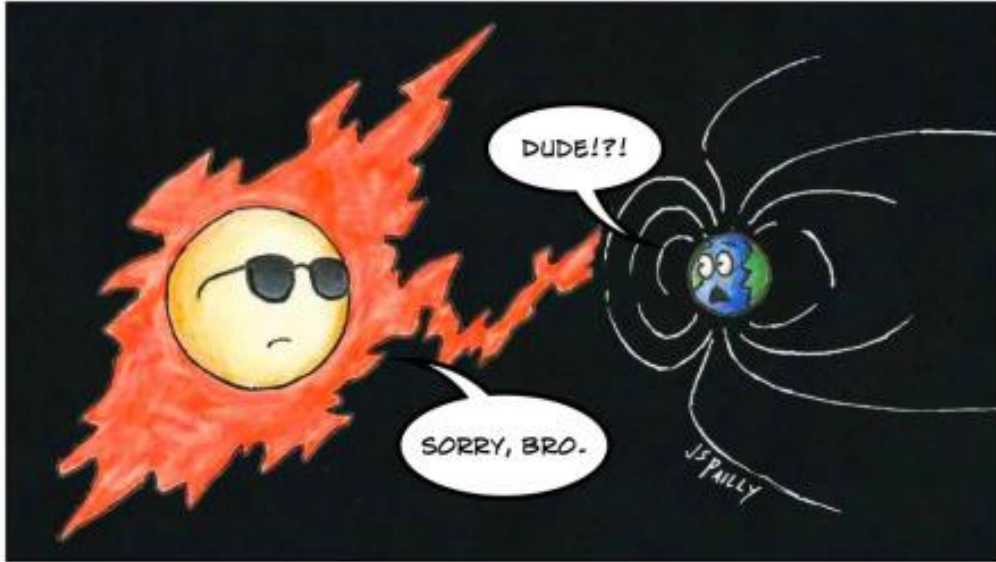
*Figure Courtesy: SIA (Satellite Industry Association)

What can cause these problems?

Coronal Mass Ejections (CMEs)



*Figure Courtesy: NASA/ESA, SDO and SOHO satellites

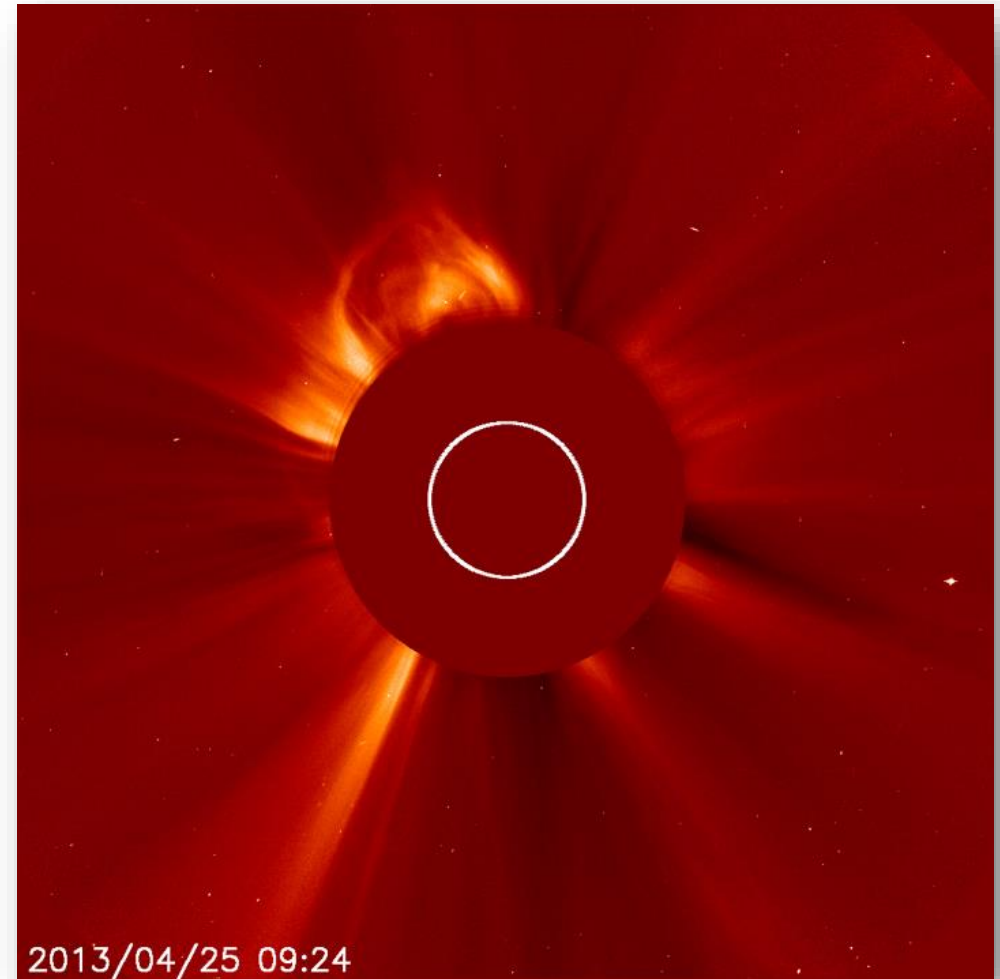
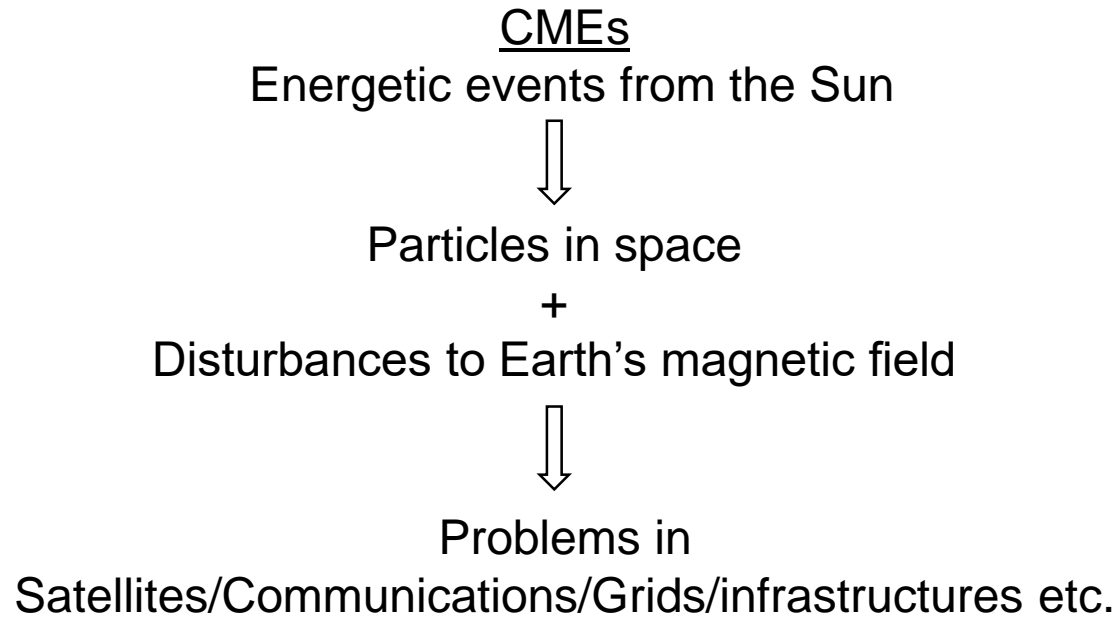


Theory



*Figure Courtesy: <https://planetpailly.com/>

Coronal Mass Ejections – CMEs



*Figure Courtesy: NASA/ESA, SOHO satellite

Halo CMEs

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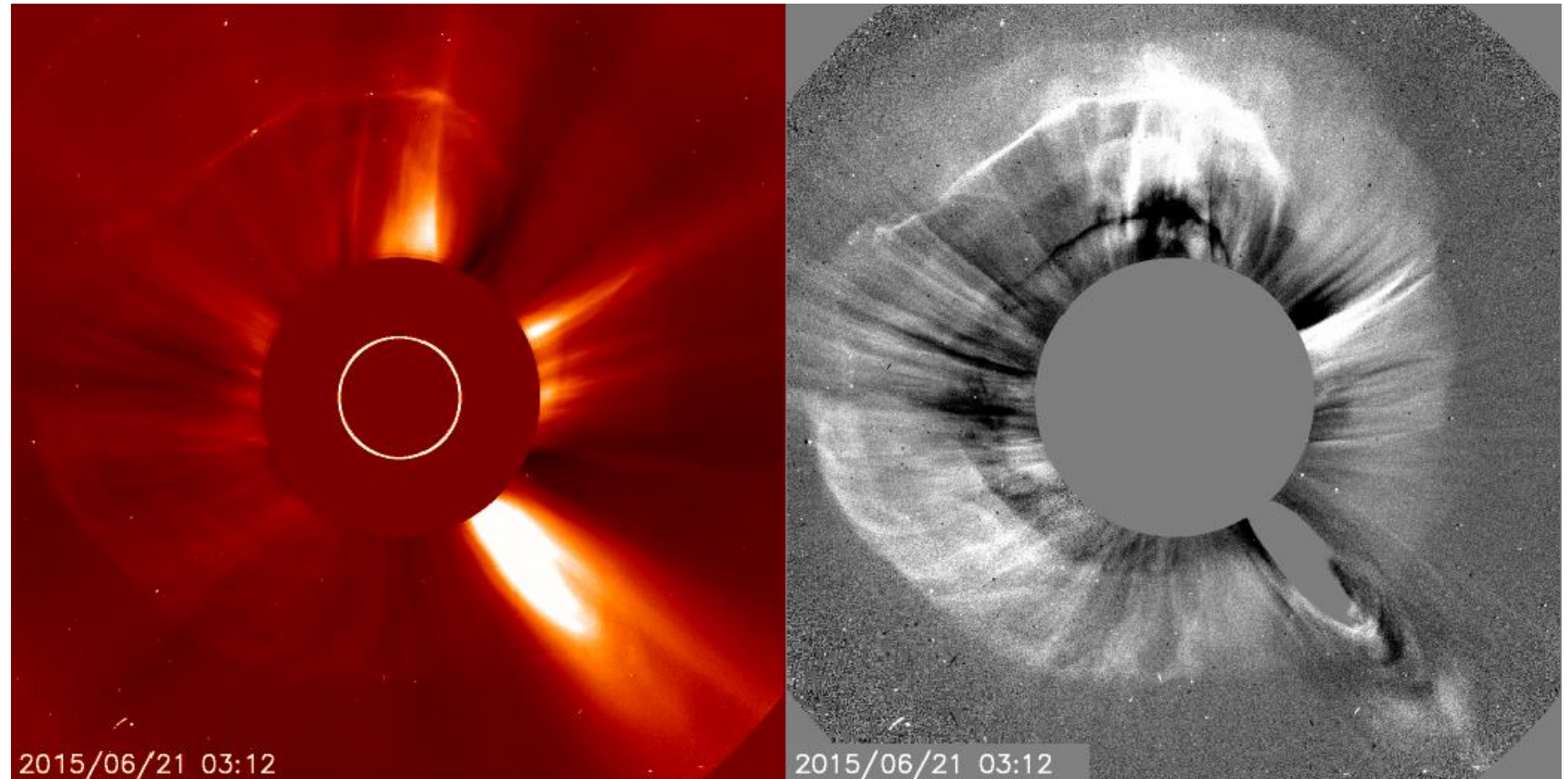
Earth-directed CMEs. Can be seen from coronagraph.

Why important?

Going to Earth



More effects on mankind



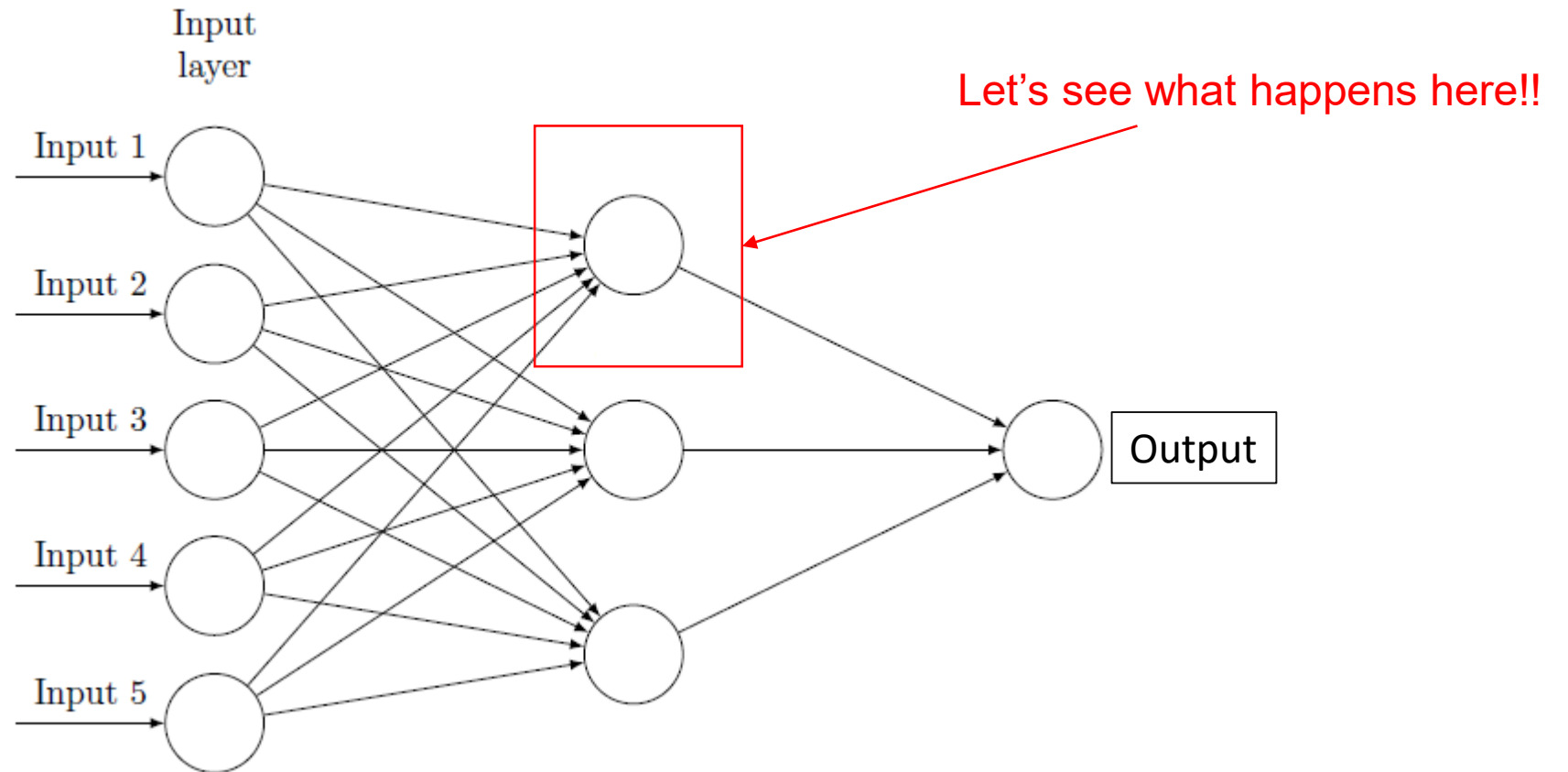
*Figure Courtesy: NASA/ESA, SOHO satellite

What is machine learning & A.I ?

*Making the computer “**learn**” from **data** without being explicitly programmed*

Neural Networks

Neural Networks



A Neural Network Input and Output

y : Output of Neuron

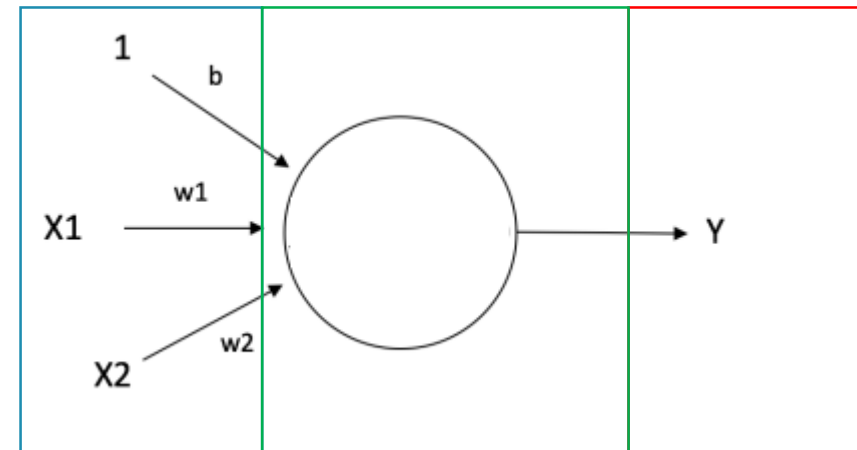
x_i : Inputs of Neuron

w_i : Weights of each Input

b : bias for each neuron

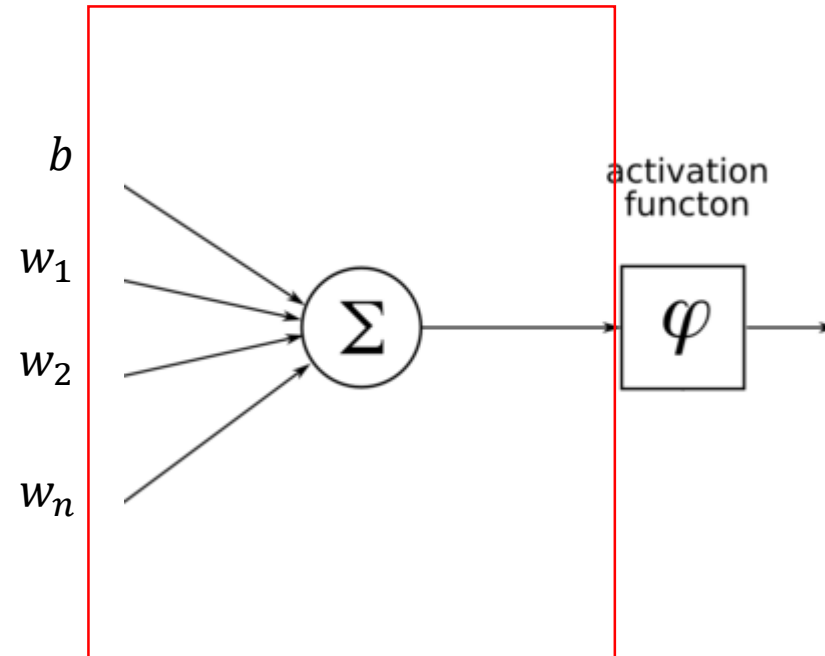
} Random Numbers

$$y = f(x_1w_1 + x_2w_2 + \dots + x_nw_n + b)$$



→ Magic happens here

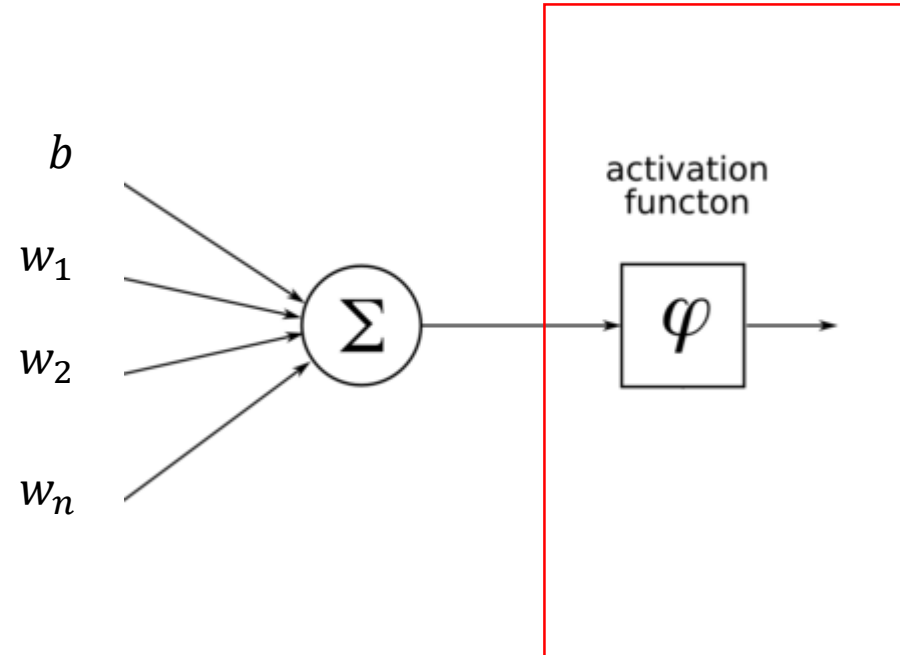
Activation Function



Sum of all Data(x_i), Weights (w_i) and Biases (b)

$$z = \sum x_i w_i + b$$

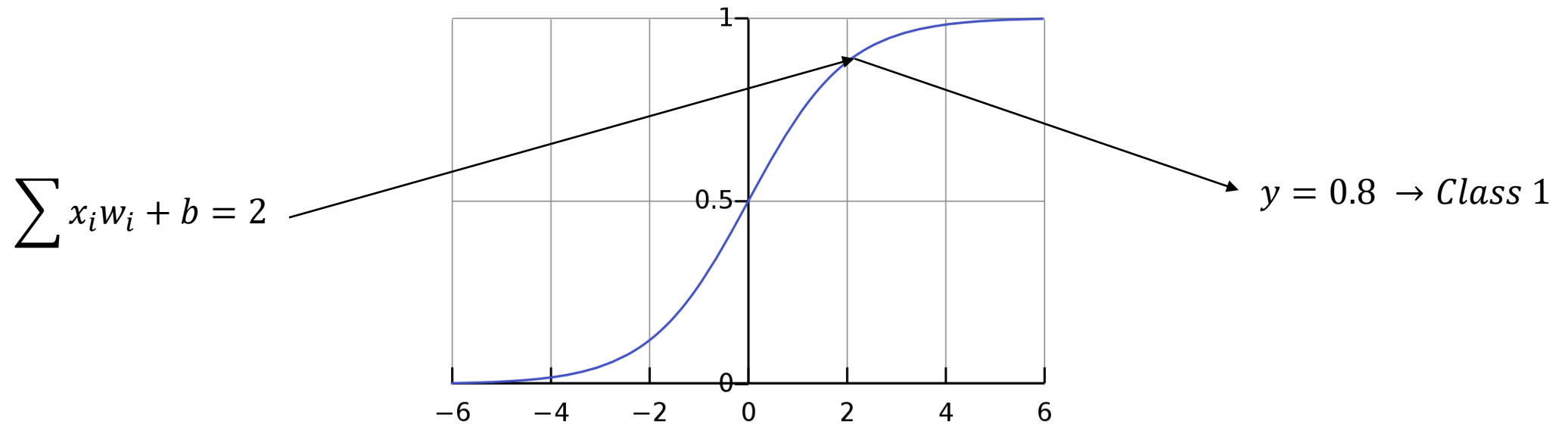
Activation Function



Apply $f(z)$ depending on goal

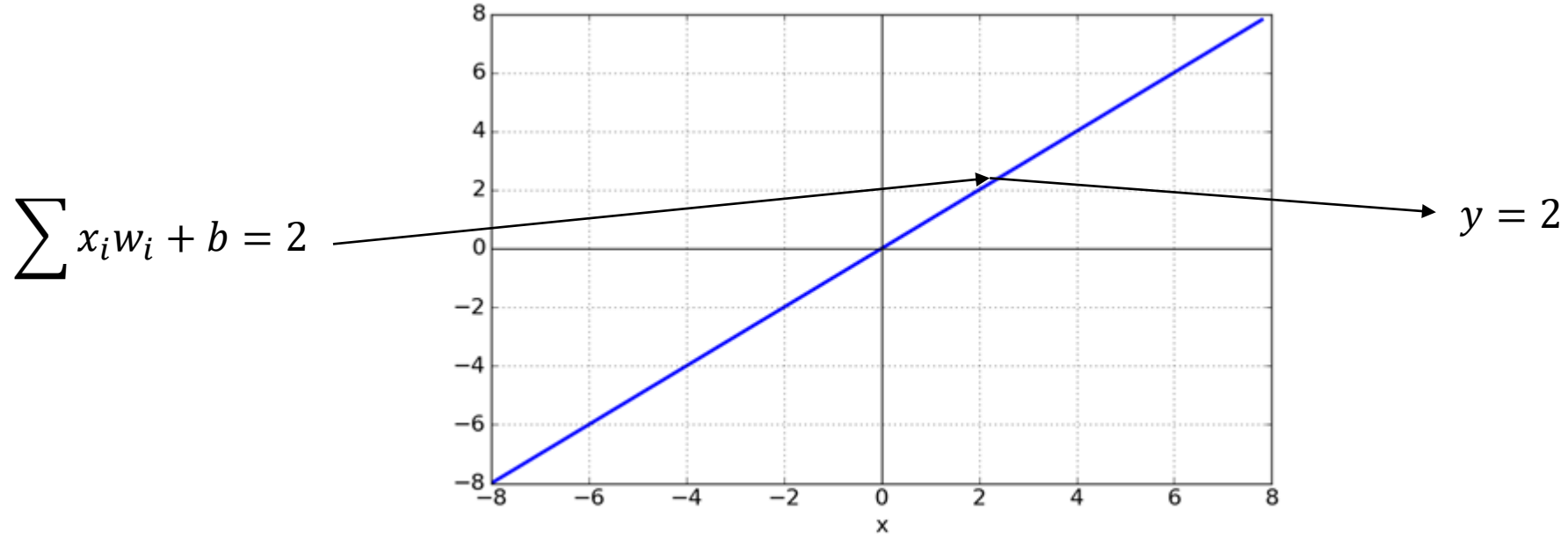
Activation function Examples

Goal: Classification

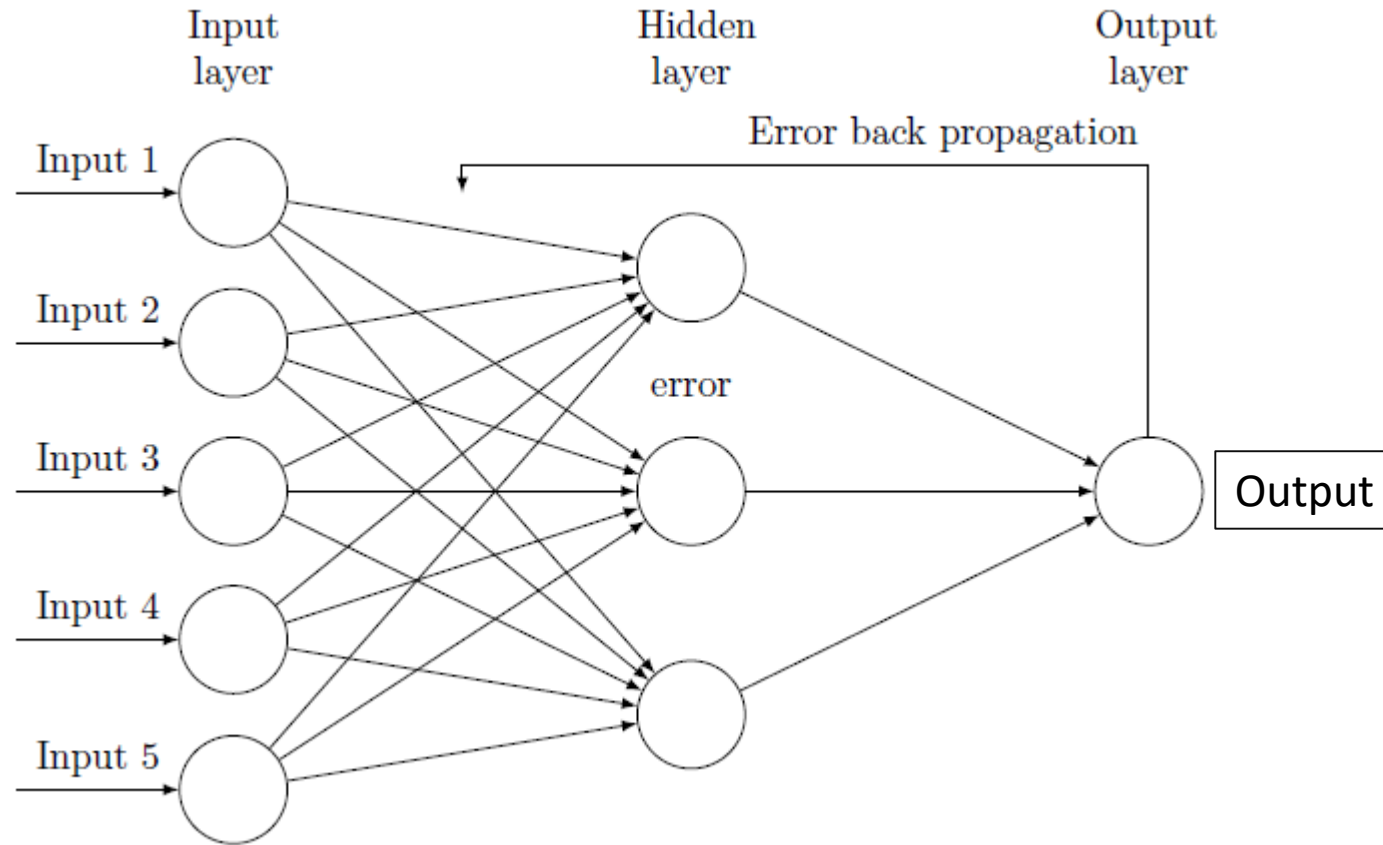


Activation function Examples

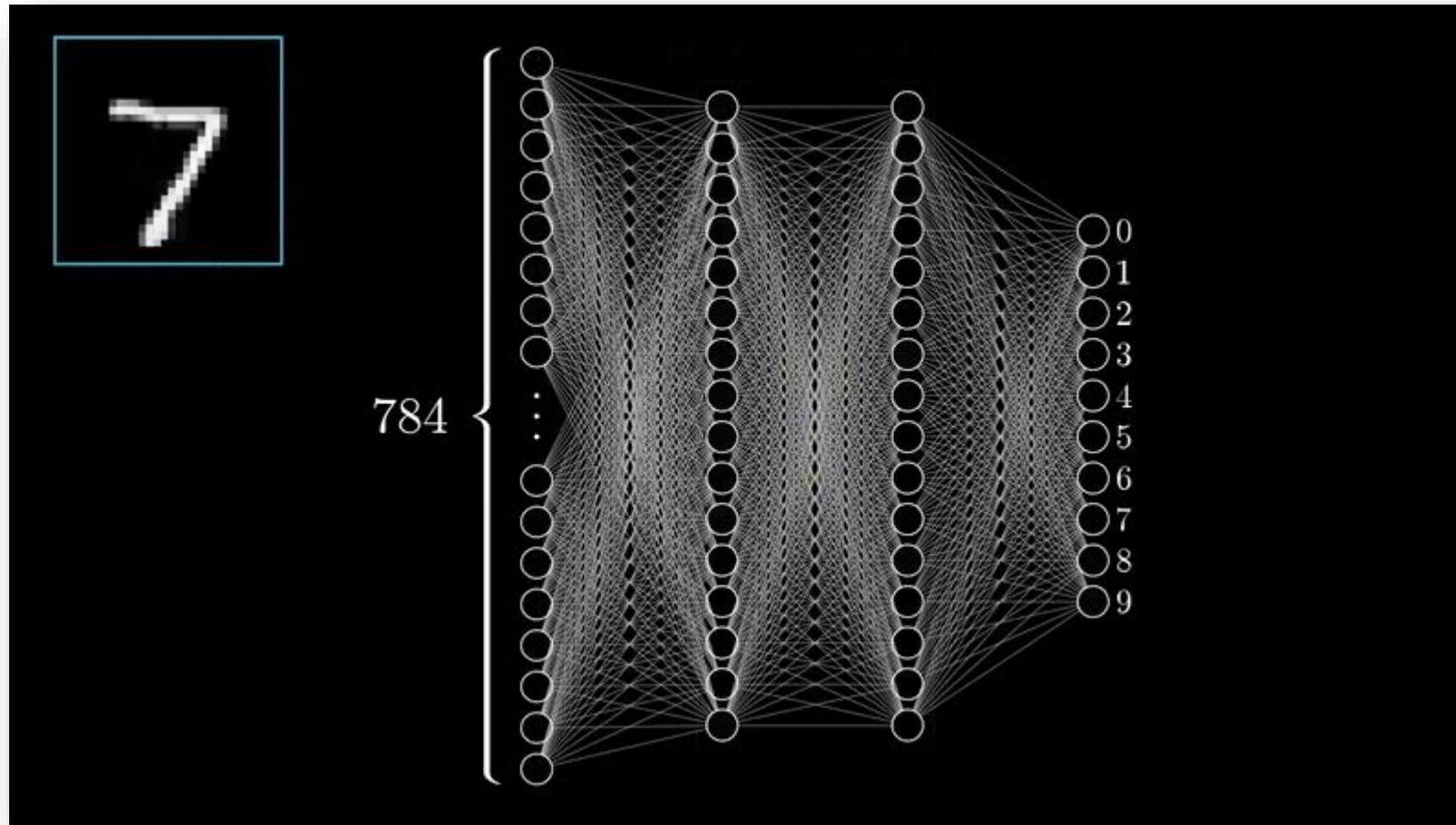
Goal: Regression



Neural Networks & Backpropagation



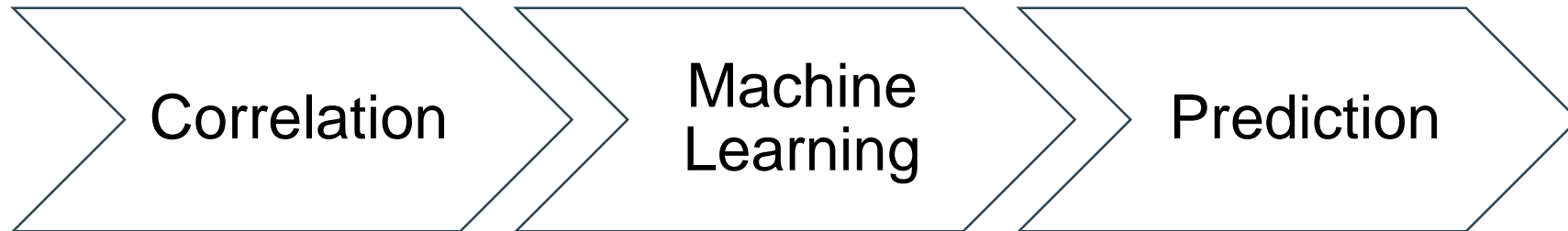
A Trained Neural Network



*Video Courtesy: **3Blue1Brown** (Check him on YouTube!)

Neural Networks in Practice

- Problem: Predict DST Index
- Idea: *Quantities* are **correlated** with *DST* index
(Dynamic Pressure, Magnetic field etc.)

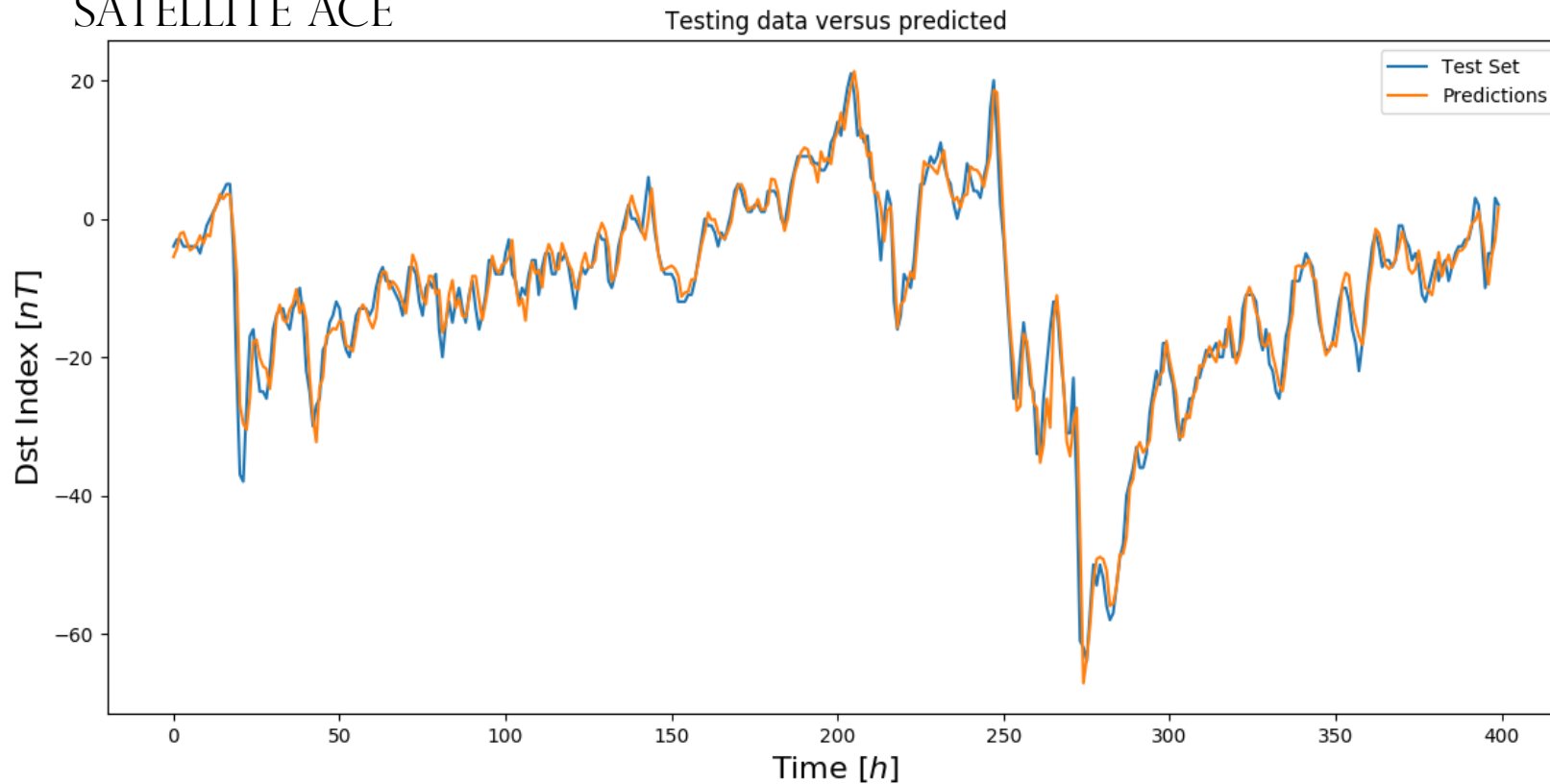


Example: Neural Networks on DST

INPUT:
QUANTITIES
FROM
SATELLITE ACE

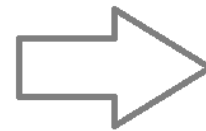
4 LAYERS OF (20, 10, 5, 1) NEURONS
500 EPOCHS

OUTPUT: DST
INDEX
(1 HOUR LATER)



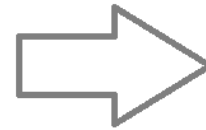
Neural Networks with Images

1	1	0
4	2	1
0	2	1



1
1
0
4
2
1
0
2
1

Neural Networks with Images – Dog example



Convolution Neural Networks

Convolution Neural Network (CNN) Layers

Convolution

Extract features & Keep spatial relationship

1 _{x1}	1 _{x0}	1 _{x1}	0	0
0 _{x0}	1 _{x1}	1 _{x0}	1	0
0 _{x1}	0 _{x0}	1 _{x1}	1	1
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	1	0	0

Image

4		

Convolved Feature

Pooling/Subsampling

Reduce dimensionality & retain information

12	20	30	0
8	12	2	0
34	70	37	4
112	100	25	12

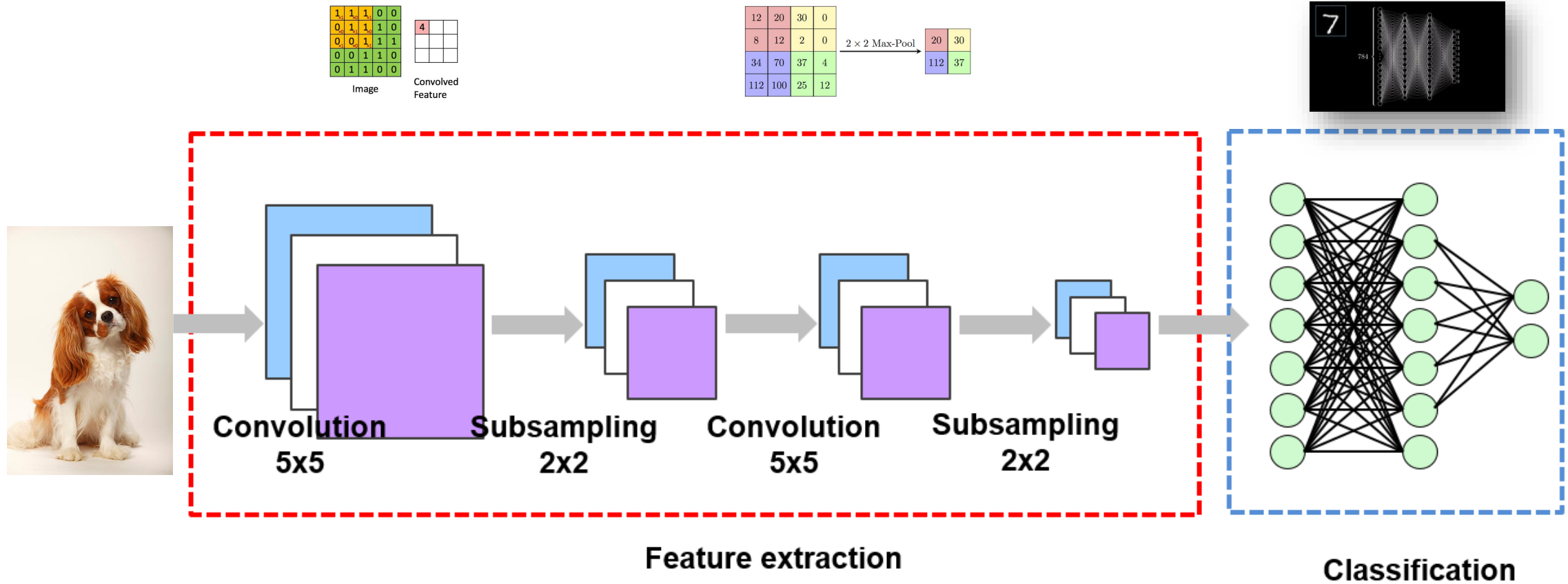
2 × 2 Max-Pool

20	30
112	37

*Figure Courtesy: Erik Reppel

*Figure Courtesy: Cambridge Spark Ltd

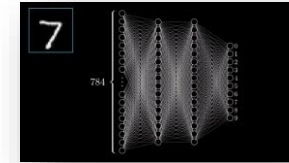
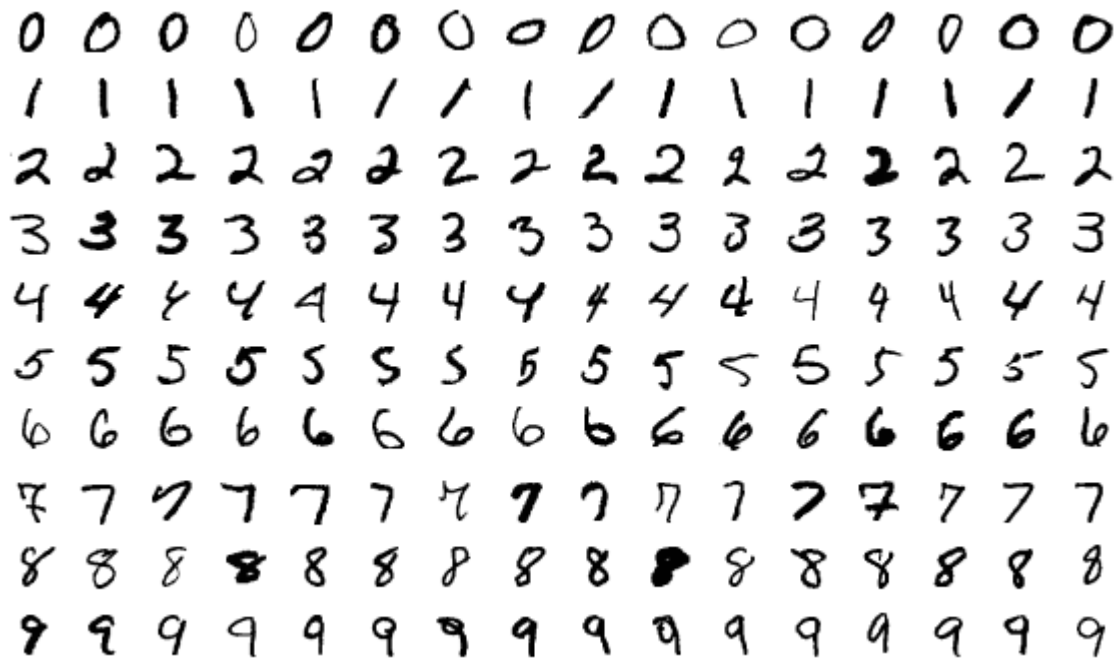
Example of CNN



*Figure Courtesy: Suhyun Kim iSystems Design Labs

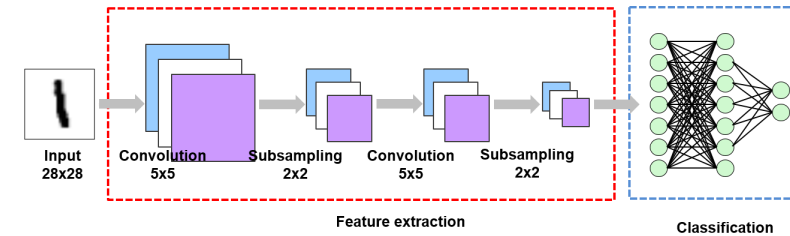
NN vs CNN

Input: MNIST database



Neural Network Result:

97.3%



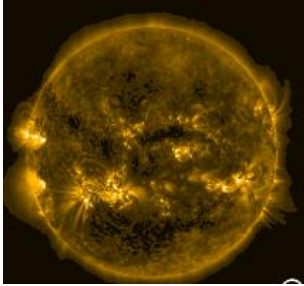
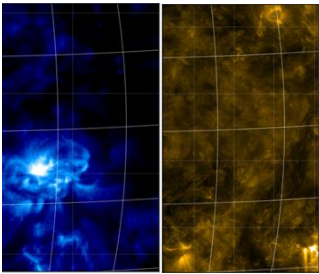
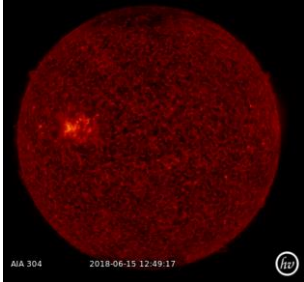
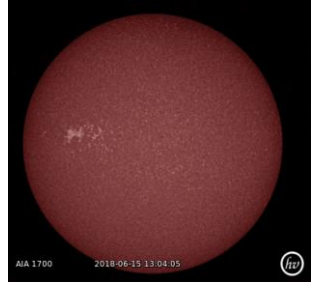
Convolution Neural Network Result:

99.07%

Analysis

Main Goal

Forecast the emerged CMEs using solar images taken from SDO and CNN

<u>Input</u> SDO Images during 2014		<u>Output</u> LASCO/CACTUS Catalogs						
		<u>Date</u>	<u>Characteristics</u>					
		2014/01/02 13:48:06	184	57	894	959	825	711
		2014/01/03 00:24:05	264	18	225	272	169	0
		2014/01/03 02:24:06	51	24	657	637	674	720
		2014/01/03 03:47:08	61	44	1132	1303	961	965
		2014/01/03 07:36:05	62	17	250	193	306	615
		2014/01/03 10:36:05	65	21	316	273	358	627
		2014/01/03 12:36:05	265	25	277	287	267	34
		2014/01/03 18:00:06	154	60	208	114	295	430
		2014/01/03 18:48:05	90	31	89	179	0	0
		2014/01/03 19:36:05	222	112	286	331	237	0

Machine Learning Project

1st Part Data Enhancement

2nd Part CNN implementation

Improving Input Project

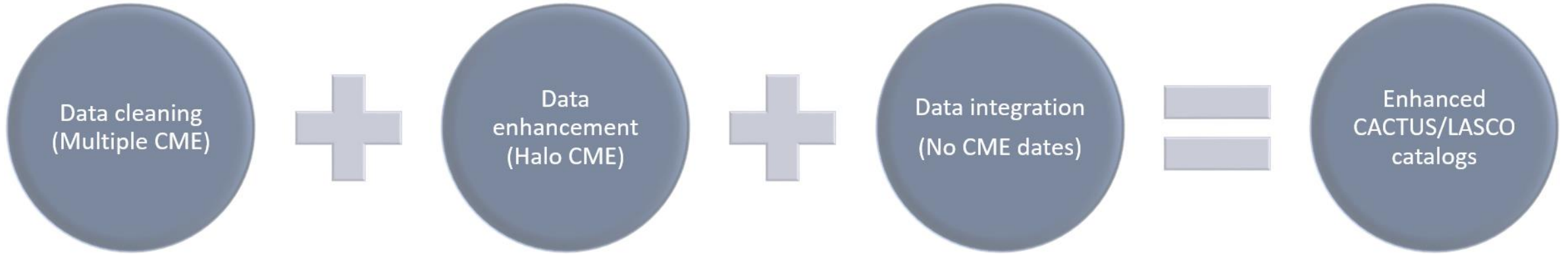
3rd Part Pre-processing Tool & History Maps

1st Part **Data Reduction**

2nd Part CNN implementation

3rd Part Pre-processing Tool & History Maps

The Data Reduction Project



~~0025, 1997/09/21 02:07, 01, 244, 014, 0484, 0020~~
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$\theta > 90^\circ$

0006, 1997/09/09 20:06, 03, 279, 108, 0609, 0124, 0316, 0813, ✓
 0007, 1997/09/13 06:25, 01, 258, 014, 0349, 0771, 0237, 1922, ✗

Add non-CME date when:
 $t_{i+1} - t_i \geq 3 [h]$

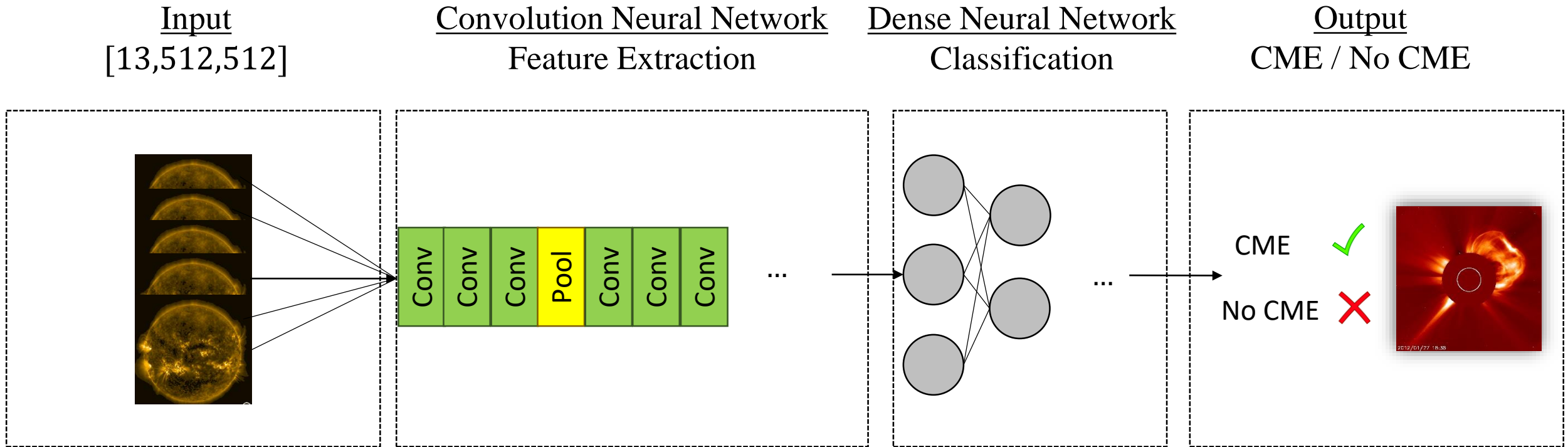
Date	CME [0/1]	Halo CME [0/1]
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2014/01/04 23:12:05	1	1
2014/05/03 20:42:00	0	0

1st Part Data Enhancement

2nd Part CNN implementation

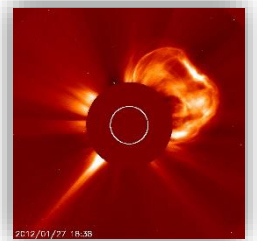
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The Machine Learning Project



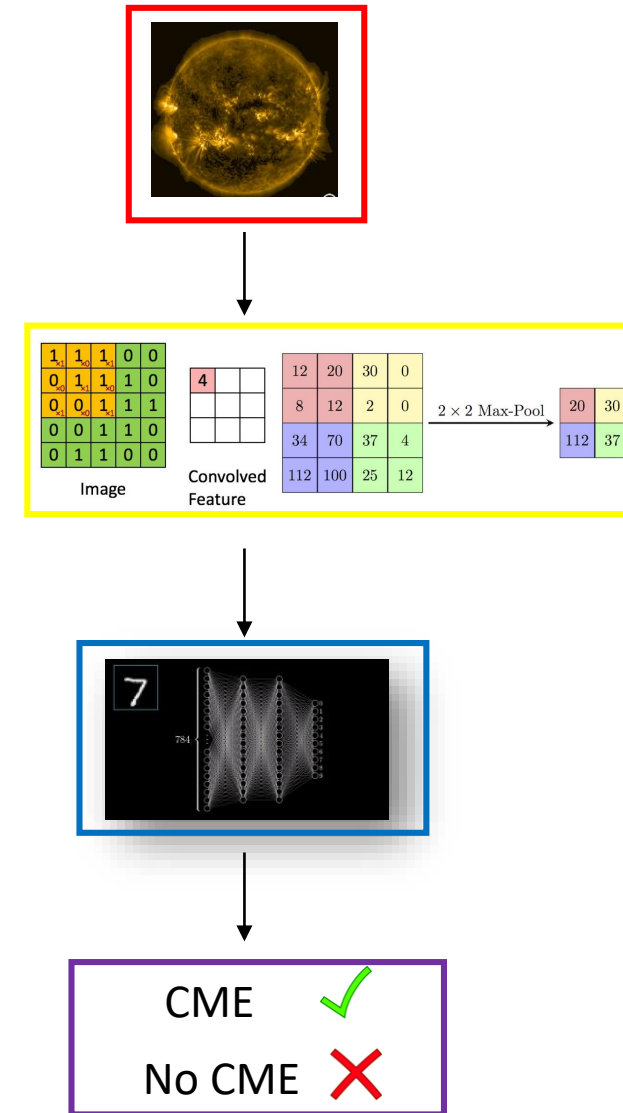
Input = 13 SDO images, 2 [h] history before the event.

Output = 1/0

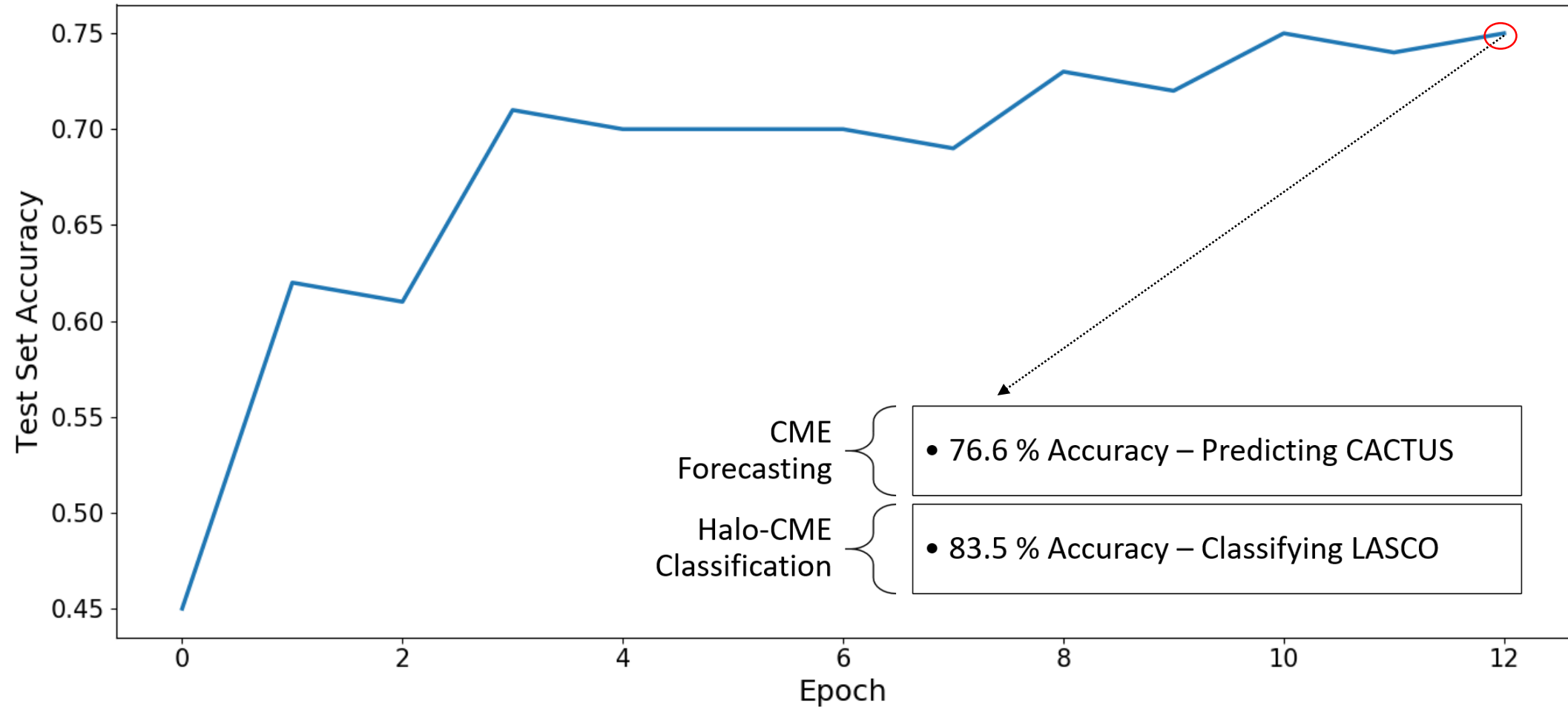


Final CNN architecture

Layer	Details & Operations	Output shape
Input	-	[512,512,13]
Convolution	Convolution [14] & 3x3 Kernel	[510,510,14]
Convolution	Convolution [16] & 3x3 Kernel	[508,508,16]
Convolution	Convolution [18] & 3x3 Kernel	[506,506,18]
Max Pooling	Max Pooling with 2x2 Kernel	[253,253,18]
Dropout	20 % Dropout	[253,253,18]
Convolution	Convolution [20] & 3x3 Kernel	[251,251,20]
Convolution	Convolution [28] & 3x3 Kernel	[249,249,28]
Convolution	Convolution [36] & 3x3 Kernel	[247,247,36]
Max Pooling	Max Pooling with 2x2 Kernel	[247,247,36]
Dropout	20 % Dropout	[123,123,36]
Convolution	Convolution [40] & 3x3 Kernel	[121,121,40]
Convolution	Convolution [56] & 3x3 Kernel	[119,119,56]
Convolution	Convolution [72] & 3x3 Kernel	[117,117,72]
Max Pooling	Max Pooling with 2x2 Kernel	[58,58,72]
Dropout	40 % Dropout	[253,253,18]
Convolution	Convolution [80] & 3x3 Kernel	[56,56,80]
Convolution	Convolution [112] & 3x3 Kernel	[54,54,112]
Convolution	Convolution [144] & 3x3 Kernel	[52,52,144]
Max Pooling	Max Pooling with 2x2 Kernel	[26,26,144]
Flatten	Flattening of the input	97344
Fully Connected	400 Neuron - Dense layer	400
Fully Connected	200 Neuron - Dense layer	200
Fully Connected	2 Neuron - Dense layer	2
Output	Classifier, 0.5 Threshold Sigmoid	2



Result of CNN



1st Part Data Enhancement

2nd Part CNN implementation

3rd Part Pre-processing Tool & History Maps

Pre-processing Tool – Motivation

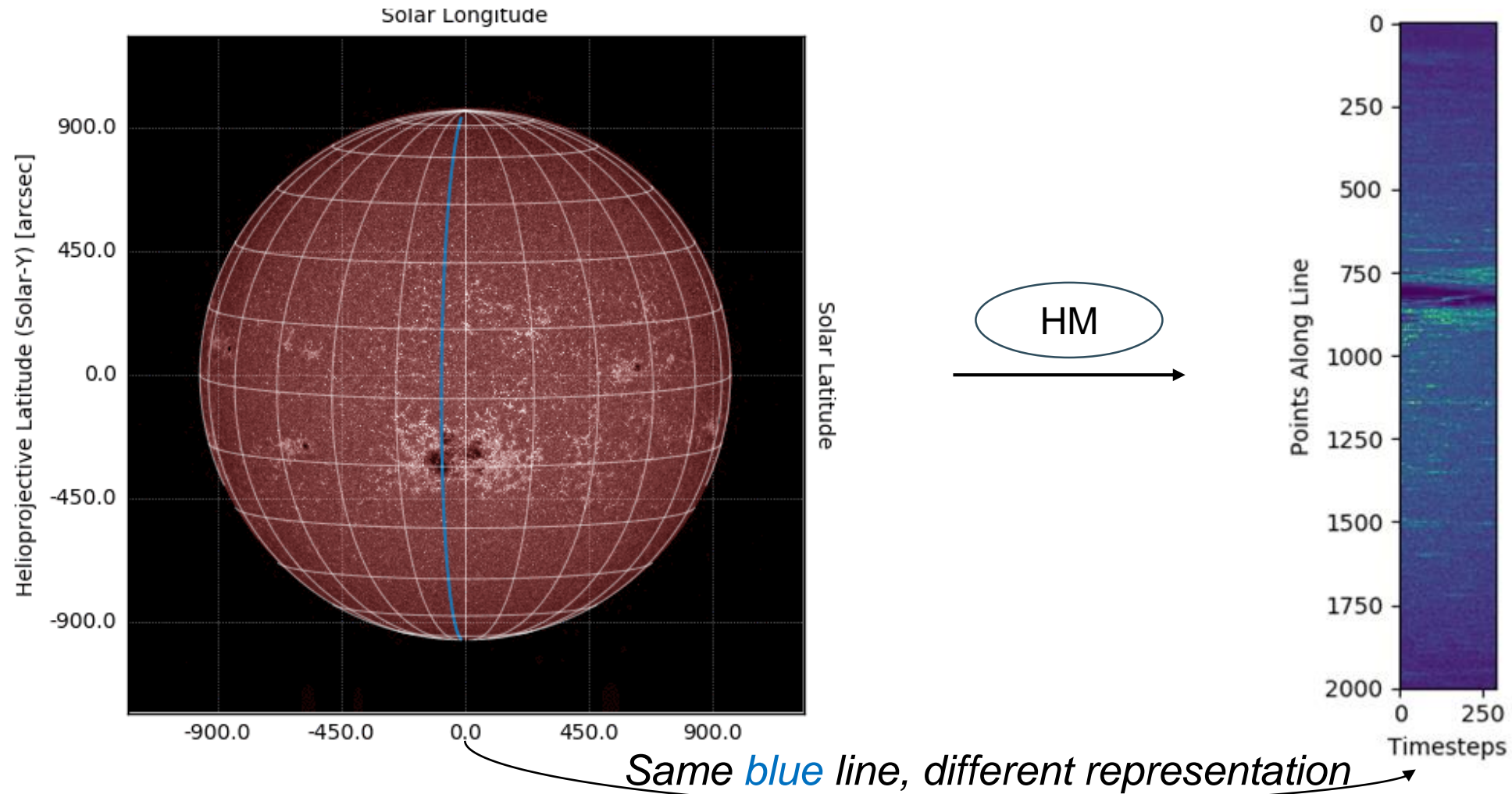
Previous input

- (+) Promising results.
- (-) Expensive computationally and memory wise.

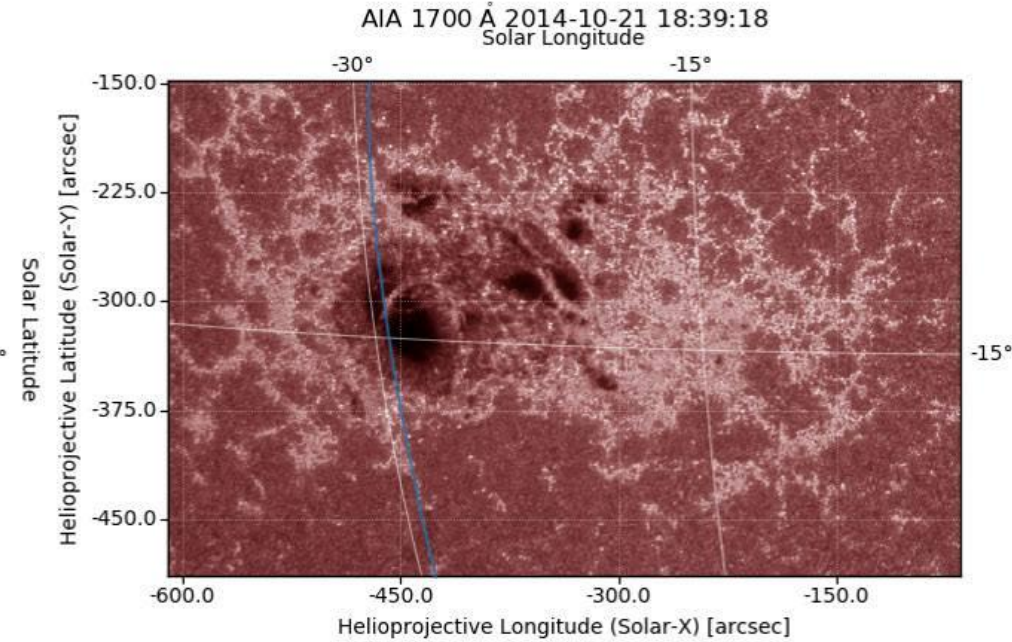
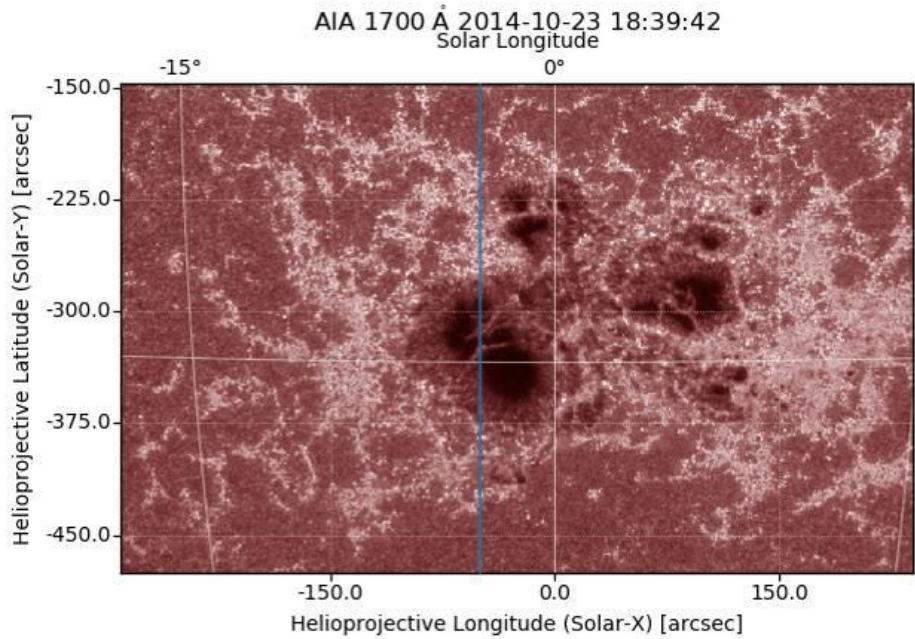
Using the pre-processing tool

- (+) **New input** → less computational time & memory consumption.
- (?) Better results.

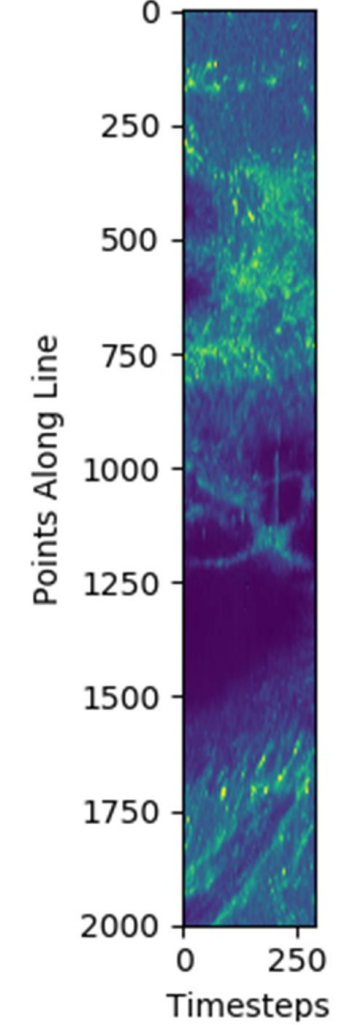
History Map (HM) – Single Line Example



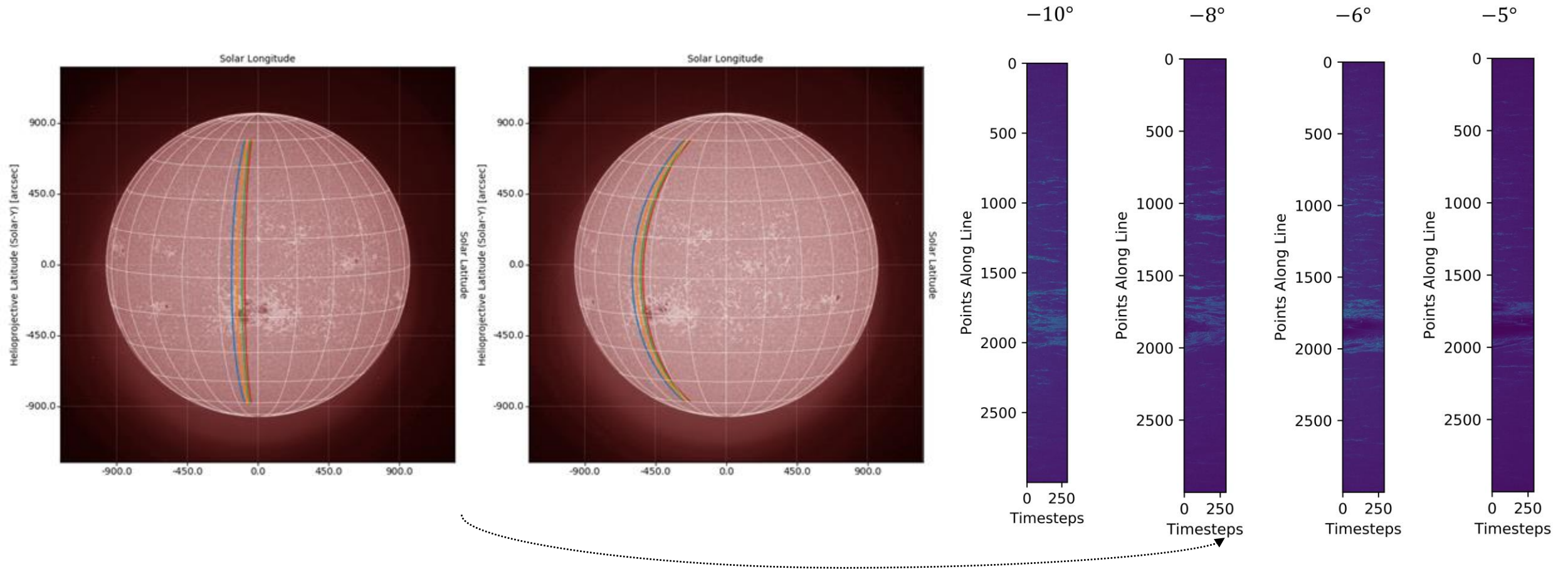
Pre-processing Tool – Sunspot



Time (t) direction



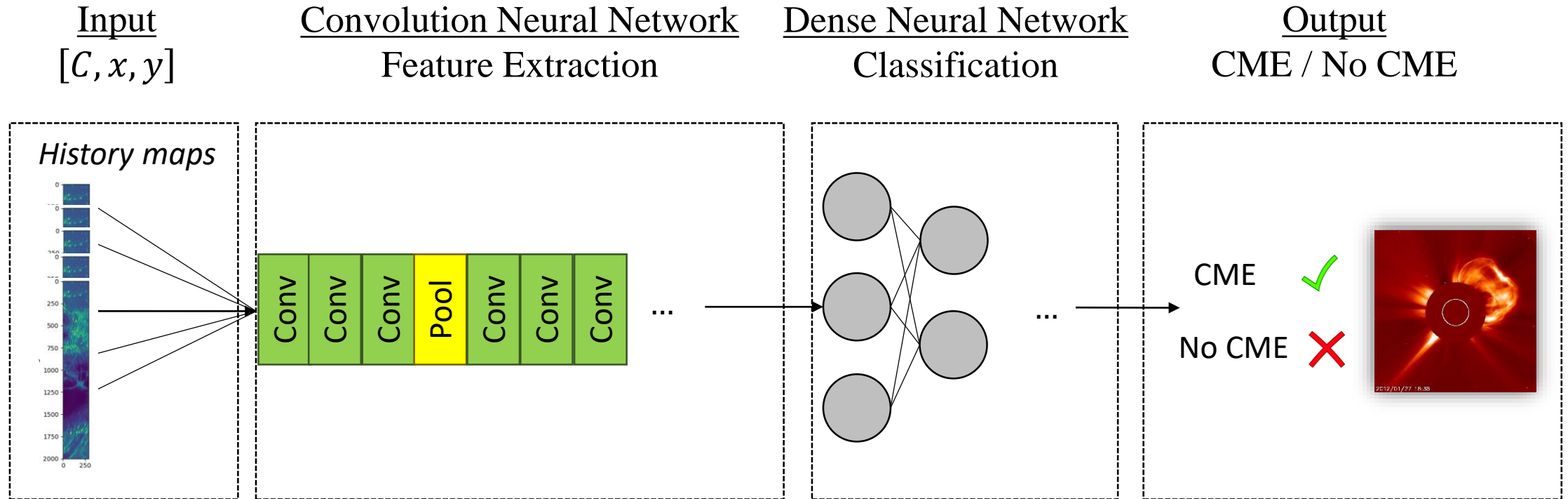
History Map – Multi Line Example



Why History Maps ?

- Substantial decrease of data and computational time.
- Structures are shown in a frame that is co-moving → **time evolution is shown.**
- Possibly **useful for forecasting other phenomena** such as Solar flares or Sunspots (**Adaptable time scale**).

Possible Future Project (?)



Conclusion

Summary

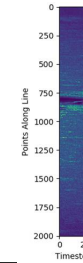
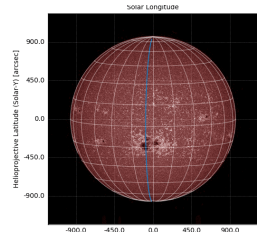
1. Enhanced, clean and **processed SDO** data and **CACTUS/LASCO** catalogs
2. Created multiple CNN models, with the best obtaining **76.6% prediction** on CMEs and **83.5% classification** between CME and halo-CME.
3. Created a **pre-processing tool** that derives “**History Maps**” (HM). Possibly useful in future Machine learning research and Solar data analysis.

Machine Learning & A.I. in Solar & Space

- An **active community**, many PhD and Postdoc positions currently around Europe (Italy, Belgium) – AIDA Project (<https://aida-space.blogspot.com/>)
- New **specialized conferences** (<https://event.cwi.nl/ml-helio-2019/>)
Machine Learning in Heliophysics
16 - 20 September 2019 – Amsterdam
- New **internship programs** Nasa Frontier Lab
(<https://frontierdevelopmentlab.org/>) for PhDs and Postdocs

Extras

Pre-processing Tool – Procedure & Output



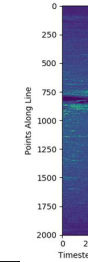
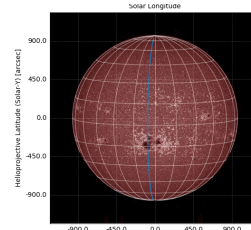
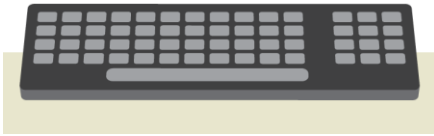
Procedure

- Download data
- Track Sun's differential rotation for every longitude line
- Go to next date on Catalog
- Repeat

Output

- 1) Database file (.sql)
- 2) Scientific images (.FITS)
- 3) History maps (.png)
- 4) NN input (.npy)
- 5) Animation (.gif)

Pre-processing Tool – Design



Input

- 1) Date – Date of event
- 2) x – Points on line
- 3) y – Longitude lines
- 4) dt – Time-step
- 5) T – Total time
- 6) λ – Wavelength
- 7) C – Catalog

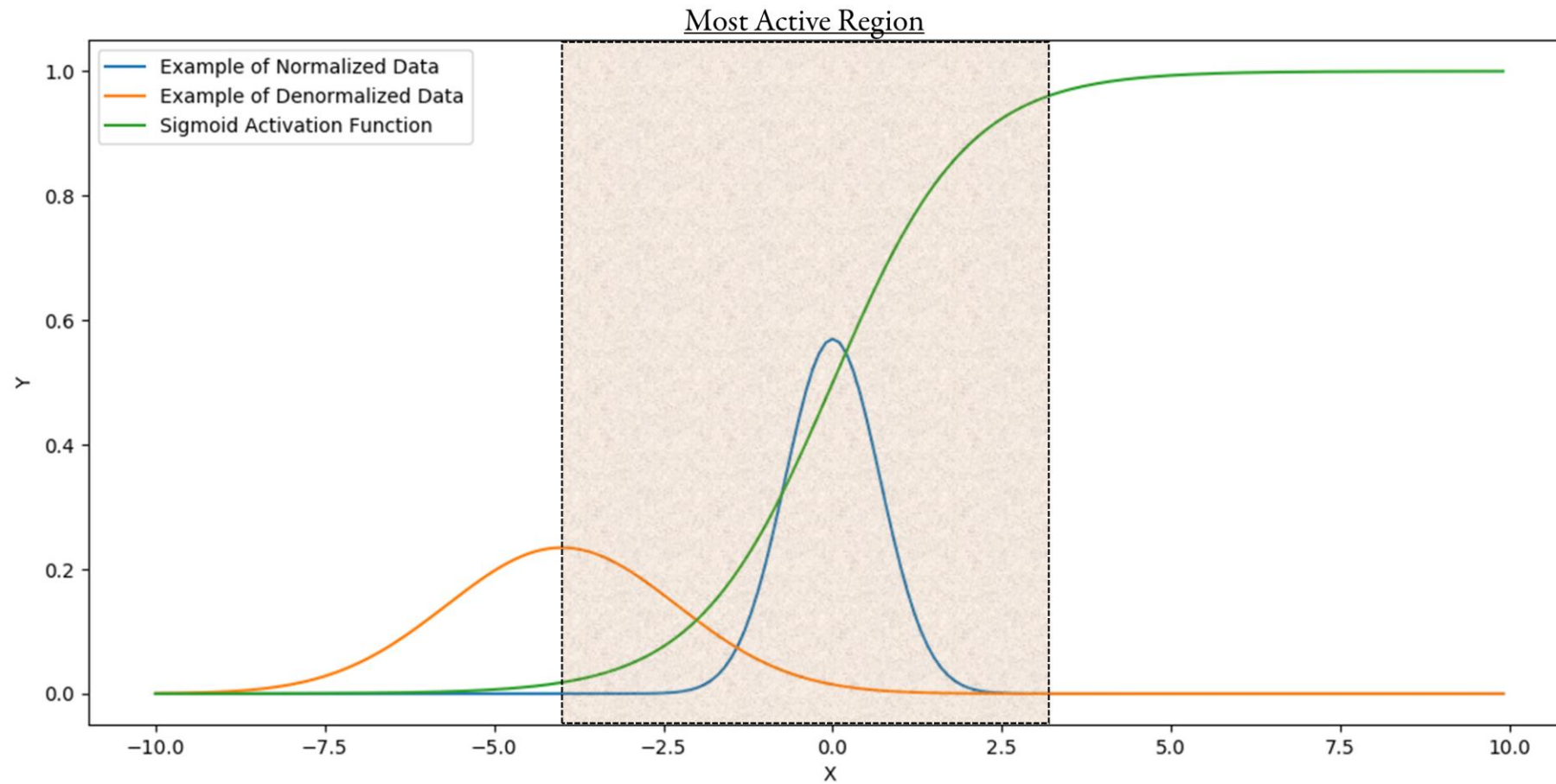
Procedure

- Download data for T [h] before event
- Track Sun's differential rotation for every line (y) using dt step
- Go to next *date* on Catalog (C)
- Repeat

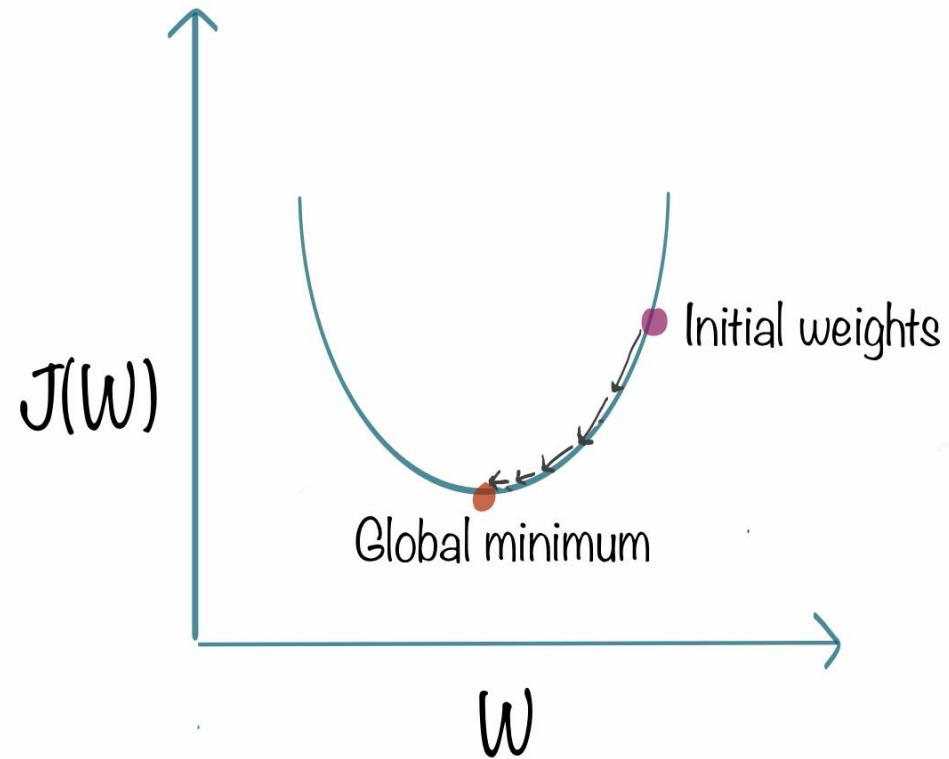
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Why normalization is vital?



Gradient Descent - Training



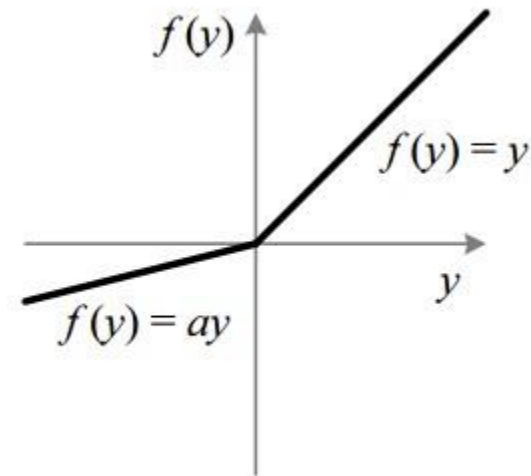
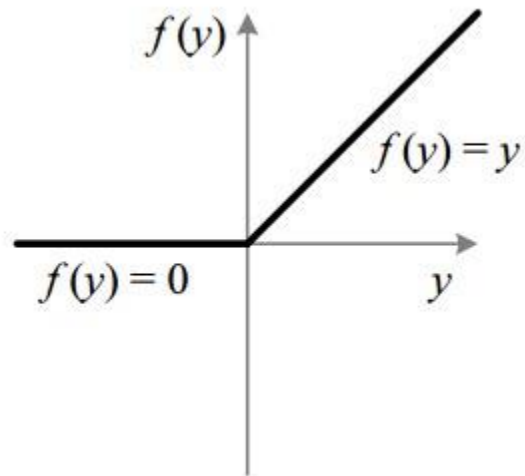
Loss Function/Error:

$$E = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i (a_i - t_i)^2$$

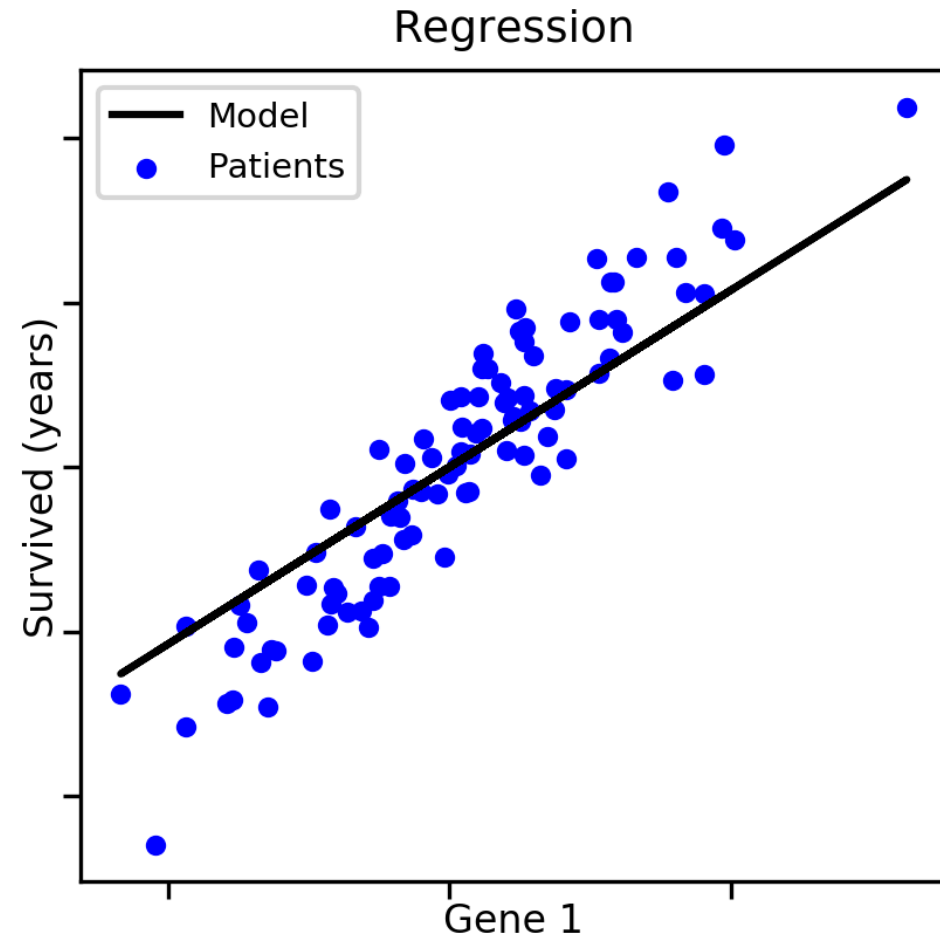
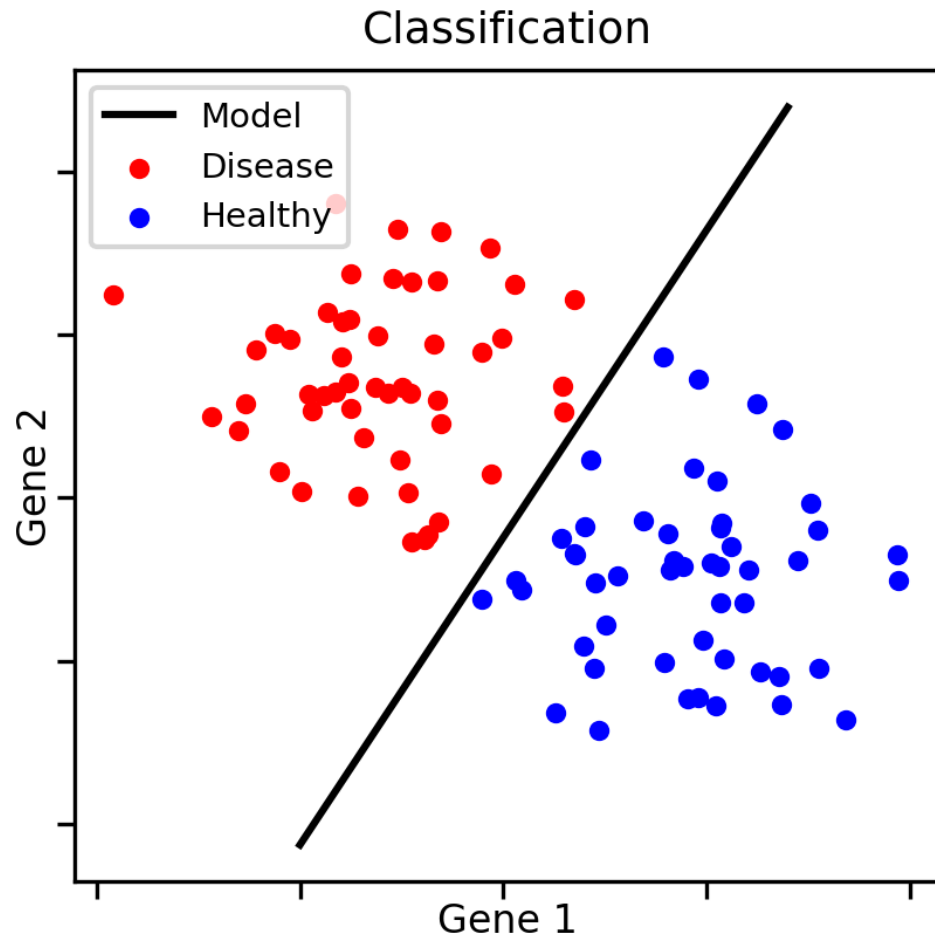
Advanced Activation functions

Goal → Complexity

Non-linear activations (Hidden Layers)

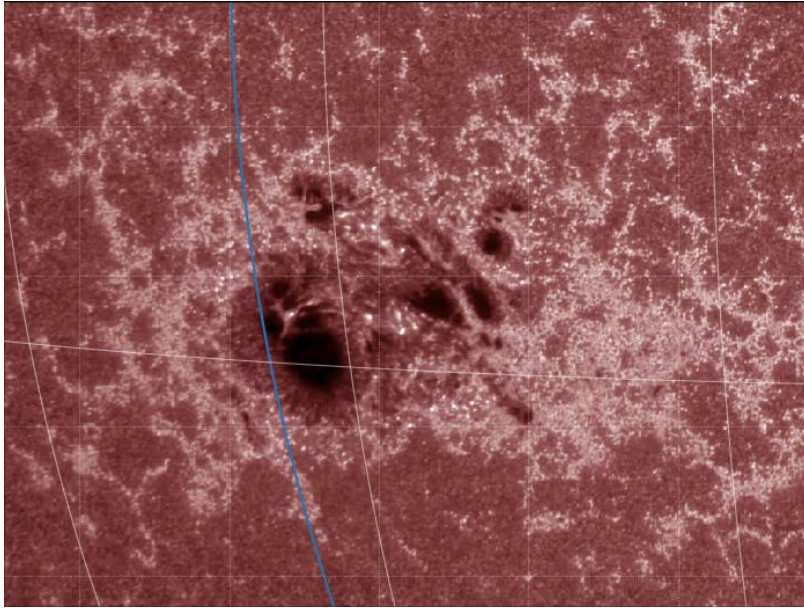


Type of Machine Learning Problems

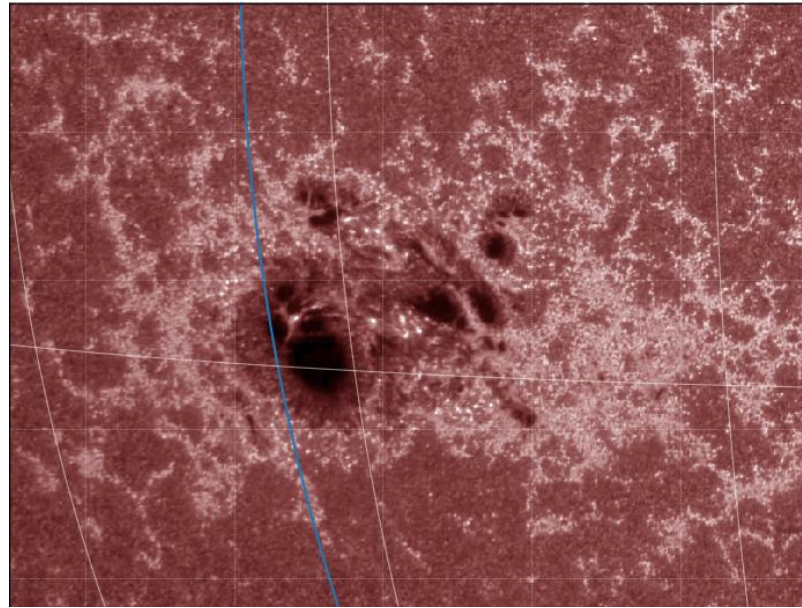


Differential Rotation Models

Allen



Howard



Snodgrass

